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Cultural Center & Café Calendar • February 2002



Los Amiguitos de La Peña

La Peña's Saturday Morning Children's Programs • 10:30am $4 adults, $3 Children

Sat. Feb. 2: **Juanita-Newland Ulloa** performs music from Mexico and the rest of Latin America.

Sat. Feb. 9. **Jugglers Anonymous** performing magical juggling acts to amuse kids of all ages!

Sat. Feb. 16: **Kim Milai** performs traditional folk and multicultural songs that get kids moving and dancing. Her cd titled Dinobone, Dinobone, Have You Heard? has been described as Bjork meets Raffi.



Sat. Feb. 23: **Uncle Eye** performs mad-cap songs to bounce and sing along with.

SUNDAY		WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 DOMINGO DE RUMBA IN THE CAFE 3:30pm-6pm **Musica Sin Fronteras** Women's Salsa Night A Bailar! Salsa, merengue, cumbia with DJs Rosa Oviedo and Chata Gutierrez. 5-9pm $7 Free salsa class included	 A CD Release Celebration with Marimba Pacifica, **Fri. Feb. 1.**	**6** Cafe Poetry Under 21 Open Mic. Hosted by Youth Speaks. 7:30pm Free **Free CAC music classes •Check back for details•** **Cafe Valparaiso** is open from 5:30pm	**7** EDUCATIONAL FORUM Education for Social Justice Series **Social Justice in Education** Justice Matters Institute and teacher Rick Ayers discuss racism in school discipline based on "Zero Tolerance: Resisting the Drive for Punishment. A Handbook for Parents, Students, Educators, and Citizens." Ayers, a highly respected teacher at Berkeley H.S., is the editor of this new book. Discussion to follow. **7:30pm $3**	**8** DANCE PERFORMANCE **Caricias Cubanas** On tour from Canada, this dance troupe is led by artistic director Armando Pastor of Havana, Cuba. The group performs a mix of folkoric, traditional and current Cuban popular dance. **8pm $12 in advance $15 at the door.**	**9** EVENT **Literary Benefit Concert** Third Woman press presents a benefit concert for the 20th Anniversary for "This Bridge Called My Back", a literary anthology by women of color. Tonight's performers include: **Carmelita Tropicana, Cheri Moraga, 8th Wonder, Leticia Hernandez, Las Cucas, DJ.** **7:30pm $7-$10***
10 CAFE LOBBY CONCERT Cafe is open from 1pm on Sun. Sunday Lobby Concert with **Nova Trova & Special Guests** New Latin folk fusion with roots in Spain and Latin America and original social commentary. Celebrate the release of their CD "Agua". "May music bring unity in a time of divisiveness." – Nova Trova **6pm $5 suggested donation**	**Literary Benefit Concert** Third Woman press presents a benefit concert for the 20th Anniversary for "This Bridge Called My Back", a literary anthology by women of color. **Fri. Feb. 9.** 	**13** CAFÉ POETRY **Cafe Poetry & Open Mic** Hosted by Lea Arellano, author of Saguaro Dreams: Rantings of a Chicana Warrior-Outside the Confessional. With musical guests & open mic. Communion will not be served. **7:30pm $2** East Bay Aids Center Private Event in the performance space.	**14** VALENTINE'S DAY **Love: The Final Frontier** Hosted by **Aya de Leon**. A poetic celebration of love's varied manifestations and party for Aya's 2002 poetry book. Featuring: **Marvin White, Chinaka Hodge, Tyger Walsh, Karen Ladson, Lea Arellano, Angelo Antowone Williams, Ayoka Yejide**, and acoustic hip hop soul by **Omar Joaquin**. Door prizes! Goodies! Special Valentine's Day Dinner in the Cafe. **8pm $8**	**15** CONCERT **Direct from Mexico, Silvina Tabbush in Concert** Singer and songwriter Silvina Tabbush performs tango blues. "After all tango and blues feed from the same source; urban nostalgia and gut feelings" says Silvina. Silvina is accompanied by pianist, Baldomero Jimenez. **8pm $12 adv. $14 door**	**16** HIP HOP CONCERT **COLLECTIVE SOUL** featuring **Omaya** **Lunar Heights** **Dj Treat. U. Nice** **and special guests** **8pm $8 before 10pm, $10 after**
17 DOMINGO DE RUMBA IN THE CAFE 3:30pm-6pm Holiday Weekend dance/baile con **Charanga Nueve** Charanga Nueve is a ten-piece band from the Bay Area that has joined together to play Afro-Cuban music in the "charanga" style, performing mambo, danzón, cha-cha-cha, son montuno, and rumba. **8:30pm $10**	 **Valentine's Day** with Aya de Leon and guests. **Thur. Feb. 14.**	**20** "Word & Sing" Hosted by Paul Flores. Book Release Party for **Leticia Hernandez** with special guests plus **Luis Rodriquez**, author of "Always Running", reading and speaking about his new book, "Hearts and Hands, Creating Community in Violent Times". **8pm $5-$8**	**21** BENEFIT VIDEO **Lagrimas Negras** Benefit for ANSWER (Act Now to Stop War and End Racism) an anti-war coalition. Screening of Cuban video "Lagrimas Negras". If you enjoyed Buena Vista Social Club, you will love this video. **7:30pm $8-$10 sliding scale.***	**22** DANCE PERFORMANCE **Jaranon y Bochinche** Afro-Peruvian music and dance. Centro Cultural Tradicion Peruana presents an evening of traditional and contemporary Afro-Peruvian music and dance from Peru's coastal region. **8pm $14**	**23** **Descarga Cubana** **with Jesús Diaz y su QBA** **joined by Bay Area Cuban all-star musicians and dancers** FREE entrance with dance-a-thon sponsorship (see below for details) **$20 in advance, $22 at the door** **8pm doors open & registration** **9pm dance performance** **10pm band** *Dance and support La Peña!*
24 CAFE OPEN FROM 1PM ON SUNDAYS **Amigo de Las Americas Private Event**	 Dance with Charanga 9 • Sun. Feb. 17 • 8:30pm	**27** CAFE POETRY LA PEÑA AVAILABLE FOR YOUR FUND RAISING EVENT. CALL FOR RATES SEE YOUR EVENT ADVERTISED ON THE BACK CALL US FOR AD RATES 510-849-2568 • www.lapena.org	**28** CD RELEASE CELEBRATION **Los Cenzontles** Los Cenzontles celebrates its new CD "Media Vida" with a performance of *rancheras, sones* and *pirocuas*. **7:30pm $10**		

Descarga Cubana with Jesús Diaz y su QBA

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Afro-Cuban dance performance by
José Francisco Barroso and Susana Arenas
& debut performance by Cuban all-star salsa rueda group Salsa Sandunga! & DJ José Ruiz

8pm door opens & registration • 9pm dance performances • 10pm live band

FREE Admission with dance-a-thon sponsorship
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FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS

Caricias Cubanas



Fri. Feb. 10
On tour from Canada

An evening of traditional and contemporary Afro-Cuban dance. The troupe was selected to represent Canada at the 2001 Gran Prix Dance Competition in Italy. Artistic director, Armando Pastor has been promoting Cuban dance in the Vancouver area since immigrating from Cuba in 1995.

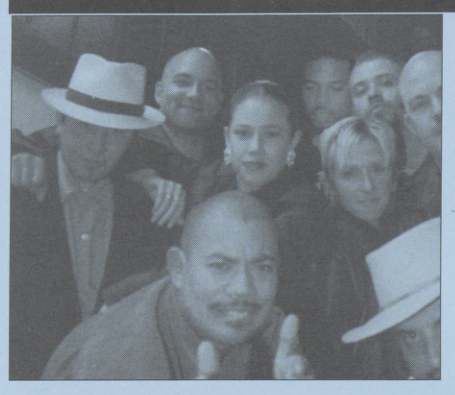
Silvina Tabbush • Tango Blues



Fri. Feb. 15

Silvina Tabbush's cd "Rueda: won high praise by music critics. Tonight she will present material from an upcoming recording. Labeled as "tango blues", her style is unique and captivating. She is accompanied by pianist Baldomero Jimenez.

Collective Soul



Sat. Feb. 16

Collective Soul continues with Omaya, Dj Treat, U. Nice, and special guests.

Jaranon y Bochinche



Fri. Feb. 22

Discover the stunning music and dances of coastal Peru with Jaranon y Bochinche, a dance troupe that celebrates Peru's African heritage.

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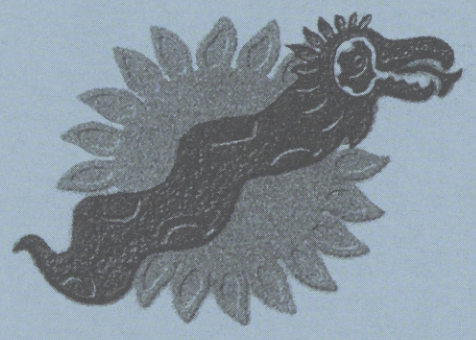


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CLASSES @ LA PEÑA

Free classes are supported by the California Arts Council Artists in Residence program. Other classes are supported by participant fees. Enrollment is limited, and instructor permission is required. For more information about these classes, call Sylvia Sherman at 510/849-2568 extension 16 (Mon.-Fri. 12-5pm). (**TS** = Theater Space, **CR** = Community Room behind La Tienda, **CA** = Cafe Area). **CRII** = (Classroom behind community room)

PERCUSSION:

-Afro-Cuban Percussion (Monday 6 - 7:30pm Café) Students will learn folkloric and popular Afro-Cuban rhythms. Instructor: Jesus Díaz, leader of Jesus Díaz y su QBA. $15 per class, or $48 for four classes.

-Beginning Latin Percussion (Monday 6 - 7:30 pm,TS) Instructor: Josh Jones. Class will offer an introduction to Afro-Cuban rhythms for congas. Free

-Beginning Afro-Venezuelan Percussion (Tuesday 6 - 7:00pm, CR)Instructor: Jackeline Rago. For students with some percussion experience. Bring a drum, sticks, maracas. $12/class or $40 for 4 classes. On break 12/10 - 1/13

-Afro-Puerto Rican Percussion & Dance (Sunday12 - 2:00pm,TS) Students will learn various bomba rhythms and dance. Instructors: Hector Lugo and Maria Elena. Call (510) 644-0554 for more info. $7/class or $24 for four.

STRINGED INSTRUMENTS:

-Venezuelan Cuatro Class (Tuesday 8 - 9pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. $12/class or $40 for 4 classes. On Break December 10 - January 13

-Beginning Latin American Guitar (Wednesday 6 - 7pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

-Intermediate Latin American Guitar (Wednesday 7 - 8pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

-Advanced Latin American Guitar (Wednesday 8:00 - 9pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Free

ENSEMBLES:

-Latin American Vocal Ensemble (Monday 6 - 7:30 pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Students will do vocal exercises and learn Latin American songs sung in harmony. Bring a song to your first class to audition. Free

-Latin American Music Ensemble (Monday 7:30 - 9pm, CR) Instructor: Rafael Manríquez. Students will learn to play and sing Latin American songs from various different countries. Open to vocalists and instrumentalists. Free

-Latin Jazz Ensemble (Monday 8 - 10 pm in TS) Instructor: Josh Jones. Students will learn to play Latin Jazz in an ensemble format. Class will focus on concepts of clave and basic percussion rhythms as they can be applied to all instruments. Free.

-Advanced Venezuelan Ensemble Class (Tuesday 7:00 - 8pm, CR) Instructor: Jackeline Rago. This class integrates Venezuelan cuatros, mandolins and chanting. For continuing students. Audition required. Bass, guitar, flute, violin players and singers are needed. $12/class or $40 for 4 classes.

-Hip Hop/Funk Ensemble (Tuesday 8pm - 10pm, CRII) Instructor: Josh Jones. Class will learn live break beats - free style and improvisation - as well as working on programming beats. Open to all instrumentalists and vocalists. Free

-La Peña Community Chorus (Tuesday 7:45 -10pm,TS) Director: Lichi Fuentes. Monthly Membership Dues Required. For chorus info call Nancy Gendel at 510-845-5161. At present there are openings for tenors and bases only.

DANCE

Salsa and Other Latin Dances for Beginners (Tuesday 6 - 7:30,TS) Instructor: Diego Vásquez. Students will learn basic steps for salsa, cumbia, merengue and bolero with an emphasis on body movement and above all to have a good time! $10/class or $35 for 4 classes. (510) 625-1379.

Afro-Puerto Rican Dance and Percussion (Description under Percussion)

POETRY CLASSES

Poetry, Resistance and Cultural Arts (Wednesday 6 - 8pm, CRII) Instructor: Joyce Young. Explore concepts and strategies for political and personal resistance to injustice through poetry and cultural arts. Class size is limited to 15 students and pre-registration is required. To register, call (510) 496-6095 or e-mail to joypoet@mindspring.com. Free.

NEW BEGINNING PANPIPE CLASS (Thur. 5pm - 5:45pm CR) Learn to play the Andean panpipes in the traditional ensemble style, braiding together the melody through working with other musicians. Taught by Jorge Tapia and Lydia Zapana. **Sliding scale fee class.**

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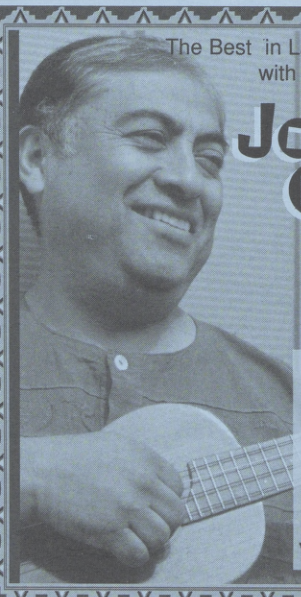
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